You say that there are very narrow lanes leading to the market and you want Government to take them up. Now, as a matter of policy, Government have entrusted the work of attending to the lanes to the Municipality. The only thing I can do is to send your representation to the Municipal Council and call for a report from the President as to what the Council is doing in that direction.

Your fifth point was the opening of a Police outpost and the construction of a waiting shed at the market landing. You know there is a Police Station very near and it is doubtful whether there is need for an outpost in that place. I think a beat constable there is enough. As for the waiting shed, a report has already been called for.

Then, there only remains your first point, and that is the completion of the Changanachery-Alleppey canal. That subject has been brought up by other members to whose representations I have already replied.

121. Certain urgent needs of the Changanacherry town.

MR. VARKEY ZACHARIA (*Municipal Council, Changanacherry*) thanked the Government for having sanctioned the construction of a new building at Changanacherry, near the vestiges of the fortress constructed by the famous Thekumkur Rajas, to be used as the travellers' bungalow. He expressed the hope that the building, when completed, would be in harmony with the surrounding landscape.

The Changanacherry Municipal Council had been looking around for a proper site for opening a public recreation ground. With the opening of the new travellers' bungalow, it would be possible for Government to transfer to the Municipality the old travellers' bungalow with the site. It was said that Government's intention was to dispose of the site and building by auction sale. But it was necessary that the building and the land should be handed over to the Municipality free of cost. The Municipal Council had passed several resolutions in the matter and forwarded them to Government

Arrears were heavy in the Munsiff-Magistrates' Court at Changanacherry. On an average, 570 criminal cases were filed in that court in a year. On account of the inordinate delay in the disposal of cases, most of the cases were withdrawn or compromised out of court. It was high time Government realised the necessity for opening a first class Magistrate's court at Changanacherry.

The construction of the Changanacherry-Alleppey canal was sanctioned by Government as the result of representations made at previous sessions of the Assembly. The work was not being proceeded with, owing to differences of opinion among the officers of the department. It was superfluous to mention what advantage the people of the taluk stood to gain by the canal, which would be the main artery of trade and commerce in and around Changanacherry. Government should issue instructions for the early completion of the canal.

If the soil dredged in the course of excavation of the above mentioned canal could be deposited on its banks, a road communication could also be opened from Changanacherry to Alleppey. Instructions should be issued for a road being thus constructed alongside the canal.

In 1104, the town of Changanacherry was selected by Government for the trial of the experiment of local option in respect of arrack shops. The ballot that was taken in pursuance of the decision disclosed that an overwhelming majority of citizens was in favour of the closure of the arrack shops of the town. Those shops and the only foreign liquor shop situated within the municipal area were closed. In full recognition of the existence of popular feeling at Changanacherry in favour of prohibition, as evidenced by the ballot, Government should order the removal, at the commencement of 1106, of the toddy shops situated within the limits of the Municipality.

DEWAN'S REPLY: Mr. Zacharia, വിഷയ വിവരപ്പട്ടികയിൽ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള ഒന്നാമത്തെ പായിൻറെ ഇതിനുമുമ്പു ഇവിടെ പ്രതിവാദിക്കയും അതിനു മറുപടി പറയുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ട്.

ചങ്ങനാശ്ശേരിയിൽ ഒരു മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതി വേണമെന്നുപറഞ്ഞു. ഇപ്പോഴുള്ള മുൻസിഫ്-മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതികൊണ്ടു അവിടെയുള്ള സിവിലും ക്രിമിനലും കേസുകൾ തീരുന്നതിൽ സാമാന്യം താമസം നേരിടുന്നുണ്ടെന്നു ഗവണ്മെൻറു മനസ്സിലാക്കീട്ടുണ്ടു്. അതുകൊണ്ടു കുറെ കേസുകളെങ്കിലും അവിടെനിന്നും മാറ്റത്തക്കവണ്ണം ഏതെങ്കിലും ഒരു ഏർപ്പാടു ചെയ്യണമെന്നുള്ളതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഗവണ്മെൻറു ആലോചിച്ചുവരുന്നുണ്ടു്.

1106-ാമാണ്ടു മുതൽ ചങ്ങനാശ്ശേരി മുനിസിപ്പൽ അതിർത്തിക്കകത്തുനിന്നു കള്ളുഷാപ്പുകളെ മാറ്റണമെന്നുള്ള നിങ്ങളുടെ അപേക്ഷയെപ്പറ്റി ഗവണ്മെൻറു ആലോചിക്കുന്നതാണു്.

നിങ്ങൾ പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുള്ള മറ്റു സംഗതികളെപ്പറ്റിയും ആലോചിക്കാം.

[The need for a traveller's bungalow has already been represented here and a reply given to that representation.

In regard to the question of opening a Magistrate's Court at Changanacherry, it has been brought to the notice of the Government that there is some delay in the dispoal of civil and criminal cases by the local Munsiff-Magistrate and the Government are considering the question of transferring some cases from his file to the file of some other court.

The suggestion that all liquor shops should be removed from within municipal limits from 1106 will be considered.

The other points will also receive attention].